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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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INITIALS:

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"Steganographic Method and Device";

/P.C./ U.S. Patent Application No. 11/894,443, filed August 21, 2007, entitled
"Steganographic Method and Device" – Projected Publication Date –
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/P.C./ U.S. Patent Application No. 11/894,476, filed August 21, 2007, entitled
"Steganographic Method and Device" – Publication No. 20070294536 –
December 20, 2007;

/P.C./ U.S. Patent Application No. 11/050,779, filed February 7, 2005, entitled
"Steganographic Method and Device" – Publication No. 20050177727 –
August 11, 2005;

/P.C./ U.S. Patent Application No. 08/674,726, filed July 2, 1996, entitled
"Exchange Mechanisms for Digital Information Packages with Bandwidth
Securitization, Multichannel Digital Watermarks, and Key Management"
(unpublished – issue fee paid – January 23, 2008); *- attached herein -*

/P.C./ U.S. Patent Application No. TBD, filed January 23, 2008, entitled
"Exchange Mechanisms for Digital Information Packages with Bandwidth
Securitization, Multichannel Digital Watermarks, and Key Management";

/P.C./ U.S. Patent Application No. 09/545,589, filed April 7, 2000, entitled
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- _____ U.S. Patent Application No. TBD, filed December 26, 2007, entitled "Method and System for Digital Watermarking";
- _____ U.S. Patent Application No. 09/046,627, filed March 24, 1998, entitled "Method for Combining Transfer Function with Predetermined Key Creation" (issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,598,162);
- _____ U.S. Patent Application 10/602,777, filed June 25, 2003, entitled "Method for Combining Transfer Function with Predetermined Key Creation" – Publication No. 20040086119 – May 6, 2004;
- _____ U.S. Patent Application 11/895,388, filed August 24, 2007, entitled "Data Protection Method and Device" – Publication No. 20080016365 – January 17, 2008;
- _____ U.S. Patent Application No. 09/053,628, filed April 2, 1998, entitled "Multiple Transform Utilization and Application for Secure Digital Watermarking" (issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,205,249);
- _____ U.S. Patent Application No. 09/644,098, filed August 23, 2000, entitled "Multiple Transform Utilization and Application for Secure Digital Watermarking" (issued as U.S. Patent No. 7,035,409);
- _____ U.S. Patent Application No. 09/767,733, filed January 24, 2001, entitled "Multiple Transform Utilization and Application for Secure Digital Watermarking" – Publication No. 20010010078 - July 26, 2001;
- _____ U.S. Patent Application No. 11/358,874, filed February 21, 2006, entitled "Multiple Transform Utilization and Application for Secure Digital Watermarking" – Publication No. 20060140403 – June 29, 2006;
- _____ U.S. Patent Application No. 10/417,231, filed April 17, 2003, entitled "Methods, Systems And Devices For Packet Watermarking And Efficient Provisioning Of Bandwidth" – Publication No. 20030200439 – October 23, 2003 (issued as U.S. Patent No. 7,287,275);
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December 27, 2007;

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"Optimization Methods for the Insertion, Protection, and Detection of
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November 27, 2003 (issued as U.S. Patent No. 7,095,874);

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Digital Watermarks in Digitized Data" – Publication No. 20060285722 –
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"Utilizing Data Reduction in Steganographic and Cryptographic Systems"
(issued as U.S. Patent 7,123,718);

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Systems" – Publication No. 20070064940 – March 22, 2007;

- _____ U.S. Patent Application No 09/731,040, filed December 7, 2000, entitled
"Systems, Methods And Devices For Trusted Transactions" – Publication
No. 20020010684 – January 24, 2002 (issued as U.S. Patent 7,159,116);

- _____ U.S. Patent Application No 11/512,701, filed August 29, 2006, entitled
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- _____ U.S. Patent Application No. 10/049,101, filed February 8, 2002, entitled
"A Secure Personal Content Server" (which claims priority to International

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Application No. PCT/US00/21189, filed August 4, 2000, which claims priority to U.S. Patent Application No. 60/147,134, filed August 4, 1999, and to U.S. Patent Application No. 60/213,489, filed June 23, 2000);

____ U.S. Patent Application No. 09/657,181, filed September 7, 2000, entitled "Method And Device For Monitoring And Analyzing Signals" (paid issue fee January 23, 2008); *attached herein*

____ U.S. Patent Application No. TBD, filed January 23, 2008, entitled "Method And Device For Monitoring And Analyzing Signals";

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- _____ U.S. Patent No. 5,428,606, issued June 27, 1995, entitled "Digital Commodities Exchange";
- _____ U.S. Patent No. 5,539,735, issued July 23, 1996, entitled "Digital Information Commodities Exchange";
- _____ U.S. Patent No. 5,613,004, issued March 18, 1997, entitled "Steganographic Method and Device";
- _____ U.S. Patent No. 5,687,236, issued November 11, 1997, entitled "Steganographic Method and Device";
- _____ U.S. Patent No. 5,745,569, issued April 28, 1998, entitled "Method for Stega-Protection of Computer Code";
- _____ U.S. Patent No. 5,822,432, issued October 13, 1998, entitled "Method for Human Assisted Random Key Generation and Application for Digital Watermark System";
- _____ U.S. Patent No. 5,889,868, issued July 2, 1996, entitled "Optimization Methods for the Insertion, Protection, and Detection of Digital Watermarks in Digitized Data";
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- _____ U.S. Patent No. 6,078,664, issued June 20, 2000, entitled "Z-Transform Implementation of Digital Watermarks";
- _____ U.S. Patent No. 6,205,249, issued March 20, 2001, entitled "Multiple Transform Utilization and Application for Secure Digital Watermarking";
- _____ U.S. Patent No. 6,522,767, issued February 18, 2003, entitled "Optimization Methods for the Insertion, Protection, and Detection of Digital Watermarks in Digitized Data";

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"Steganographic Method and Device" – corresponding to – EPO
Application No. 96919405.9, entitled "Steganographic Method and
Device";
- _____ PCT Application No. PCT/US97/00651, filed January 16, 1997, entitled,
"Method for Stega-Cipher Protection of Computer Code" – corresponding
to AU199718294A (not available);
- _____ PCT Application No. PCT/US97/00652, filed January 17, 1997, entitled,
"Method for an Encrypted Digital Watermark" – corresponding to
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- _____ PCT Application No. PCT/US97/11455, filed July 2, 1997, entitled,
"Optimization Methods for the Insertion, Protection and Detection of
Digital Watermarks in Digitized Data" – corresponding to AU199735881A
(not available);
- _____ PCT Application No. PCT/US99/07262, filed April 2, 1999, entitled,
"Multiple Transform Utilization and Applications for Secure Digital
Watermarking" – corresponding to – Japan App. No. 2000-542907,
entitled "Multiple Transform Utilization and Application for Secure Digital
Watermarking";
- _____ PCT Application No. PCT/US00/06522, filed March 14, 2000, entitled,
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- _____ PCT Application No. PCT/US00/18411, filed July 5, 2000, entitled, "Copy Protection of Digital Data Combining Steganographic and Cryptographic Techniques" – corresponding to AU200060709A5 (not available);
- _____ PCT Application No. PCT/US00/21189, filed August 4, 2000, entitled, "A Secure Personal Content Server";
- _____ PCT Application No. PCT/US00/33126, filed December 7, 2000, entitled, "Systems, Methods and Devices for Trusted Transactions" – corresponding to AU200120659A5 (not available);
- _____ EPO Divisional Patent Application No. 07112420.0, entitled "Steganographic Method and Device" (corresponding to PCT Application No. PCT/US96/10257, filed June 7, 1996, entitled, "Steganographic Method and Device" – cited above – previously provided)

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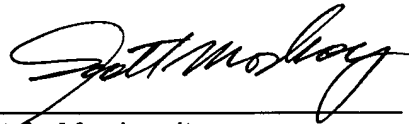
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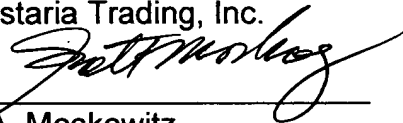
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